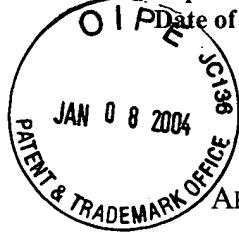


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Response to October 8, 2003 Office Action (10 pages);
2. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No. 26448-513. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 8, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

This paper is in response to the October 8, 2003 Office Action. A response is due on or before January 8, 2004. Applicants believe no other fees are due with this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 26448-513.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are shown starting on page 9 of this paper.